REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in the present Application. Claims 1-18 are subject to a restriction requirement as follows:

Group I - claims 1-16; and

Group II - claims 17 and 18.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-16, without traverse.

Applicants have been requested to elect a single disclosed species. Applicants hereby elect the process of forming an air gap by removing the sacrificial material for manufacturing an electronic or optoelectronic device. Claims 1-13 read on this species.

No new matter is added with this Amendment.

Favorable consideration in the form of a notice of allowance is respectfully request.

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